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Substitute Senate Bill No. 314

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The Committee on Human Services reported through SEN. HANDLEY of the 4th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the Senate, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

AN ACT CONCERNING REPORTS ON ADJUDICATED YOUTH IN THE CARE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) On or before June 1, 2004,
2 and annually thereafter, the Department of Children and Families shall
3 report, in accordance with section 11-4a of the general statutes, to the
4 select committee of the General Assembly having cognizance of
5 matters relating to children on: (1) The number of adjudicated youth,
6 by gender and age, in the care and custody of the department, (2) the
7 facilities in which such youth are being housed, (3) the number, age
8 and gender of such youth who have left department custody in an
9 unauthorized manner, (4) the number of police reports filed with
10 respect to such youth, and (5) the status of new construction or
11 preparation of facilities to house adjudicated youth in the care and
12 custody of the department.

13 Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) The report required by section

14 1 of this act shall be attached to the annual report required to be filed
15 by the Commissioner of Children and Families pursuant to section 3 of
16 public act 03-251.

This act shall take effect as follows:	
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>
Sec. 2	<i>from passage</i>

Statement of Legislative Commissioners:

In section 2, "filed with" was changed to "attached to" for clarity.

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The following fiscal impact statement and bill analysis are prepared for the benefit of members of the General Assembly, solely for the purpose of information, summarization, and explanation, and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either House thereof for any purpose:

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact: None

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

The Department of Children and Families will be able to compile the data specified in the bill and submit the same to the Select Committee on Children by June 1, 2004, and annually thereafter without requiring additional resources.

OLR Bill Analysis

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***AN ACT CONCERNING REPORTS ON ADJUDICATED YOUTH IN
THE CARE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES*****SUMMARY:**

This bill requires the Department of Children and Families (DCF) to report annually to the Children's Committee on the

1. number, by gender and age, of adjudicated youth (16- and 17-year olds) in its custody;
2. facilities where they are housed;
3. number, age, and gender of youths who have escaped from custody and the number of police reports filed about them; and
4. status of facilities being constructed or prepared to house adjudicated youth in DCF custody.

The first report is due by June 1, 2004. Subsequent reports must be submitted with DCF's annual report on the Connecticut Juvenile Training School, which must be submitted in February to the Judiciary, Human Services, and Children's committees.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon passage

COMMITTEE ACTION

Select Committee on Children

Joint Favorable Substitute Change of Reference

Yea 13 Nay 0

Human Services Committee

Joint Favorable Report

Yea 17 Nay 0